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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2339
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Scholarship for STs
Biju Shri Parayamparanbil Kuttappan

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of National Fellowship & Scholarship scheme for Education of Scheduled Tribe Students in the country, State/UT-wise including Kerala; and

(b) the details of funds sanctioned released and utilized in this regard during each of the last three years and the number of beneficiaries therefrom, State/UT-wise including Kerala?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA)

(a) & (b) The National Fellowship and Scholarship Scheme for Higher Education of ST Students comprises of two sub-schemes namely (i) Top Class Education for ST Students for students studying in any of the 158 institutes of repute identified by the Ministry and (ii) Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowships for ST students which is implemented through University Grants Commission. 1000 students, as per merit, from all over the country are provided scholarship under the Top Class Education scheme and 750 applicants are given fellowship for pursuing M. Phil/Ph.D. Applicants are given benefit directly under DBT mode, hence there is no State-wise allocation of funds under the scheme.The requisite details sought are given in Annexure.

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Annexure - I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (b) of LokSabha Unstarred Question No.2339 for answer on 09.05.2016 tabled by SHRI P.K. BIJU, MP, regarding "Scholarship for STs".

Under the Top Class Education for ST Students, financial assistance is provided to ST students studying in any of the 158 top class institutes identified by the Ministry. Hence, funds are not allocated state-wise. The details of funds released and number of beneficiaries during each of the last three years is as under:

Grants-in-aid released alongwith no. of beneficiaries under the Scheme of Top Class Educaiton for ST Students from 2013-14 to 2015-16
(in Rs. Lakhs)
Sl. No. Year Amount Released No. of Beneficiries
1 2013-14 950.00 550
2 2014-15 1849.85 688
3 2015-16 1552.32 1017

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Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for STStudents is implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs through the University Grants Commission. There is no state wise allocation of funds under this Scheme. However, year-wise details of funds sanctioned and State-wise number of candidates selected under the scheme during the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 are as under:

S. No. Name of the State/UT Number of ST candidates selected under the scheme of RGNF for ST students
2013-14 2014-15 2015-16
FUNDS RELEASED 0.00 0.00 Rs.3138.76 Lakhs
1. Andhra Pradesh 40 22 30
2. Andaman & Nicobar 0 1 0
3. Arunachal Pradesh 12 7 17
4. Assam 50 26 47

5. Bihar 3 6 0
6. Chhattisgarh 10 53 15
7. Goa 1 1 2
8. Gujarat 58 58 87
9. Himachal Pradesh 2 2 15
10. Jammu & Kashmir 18 10 33
11. Jharkhand 57 56 30
12. Karnataka 27 27 49
13. Kerala 3 3 1
14. Lakshadweep 1 1 0
15. Madhya Pradesh 95 95 78
16. Maharashtra 36 66 32
17. Manipur 14 7 34
18. Meghalaya 28 16 35
19. Mizoram 14 7 18
20. Nagaland 26 14 35
21. Odisha 64 63 20
22. Rajasthan 56 56 37
23. Sikkim 2 1 9
24. Tamil Nadu 5 5 7
25. Telangana 0 18 67
25. Tripura 7 8 3
26. Uttar Pradesh 1 1 10
27. Uttrakhand 2 2 6
28. West Bengal 35 35 31
Total 667
667
748
During the years 2013-14 & 2014-15, no funds were released since UGC had unspent balance from earlier releases.
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